

# Asheville Crime Assessment

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## Comparison to Other Jurisdictions

Asheville Part 1 Crime rates (number of Violent and Property offenses per 100,000 population) compare favorably against other cities of similar size and against larger cities, with the exception of Raleigh. The chart below, based on UCR data, shows the comparison cities by order of descending population. Asheville UCR counts for 2003 to 2006 were adjusted (upward) from those reported to reflect more accurate data.

Cells highlighted in blue represent the lowest crime rates for all the cities. Cells highlighted in yellow show the lowest crime rates for those cities having populations under 100,000. For these smaller cities Asheville and High Point have the lowest overall crime rates.

2006 UCR Population	701,103	328,900	230,929	202,521	193,633	172,301	94,796	92,515	72,127	68,809	63,959	56,291
Total Part 1 Crime	Charlotte- Mecklenburg	Raleigh	Greensboro	Durham	Winston- Salem	Fayetteville	Wilmington	High Point	Asheville	Gastonia	Greenville	Rocky Mount
Year	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate	Index Rate
1997	9,834.50	7,717.90	8,432.20	11,939.90	10,745.70	8,913.70	11,435.00	10,458.10	7,566.10	11,195.30	10,481.60	9,937.40
1998	9,561.30	7,009.30	8,909.00	11,849.70	9,645.80	7,454.60	11,013.90	9,596.90	7,449.40	12,061.90	12,627.50	10,133.60
1999	9,590.10	7,210.10	7,789.00	11,417.40	10,082.10	6,654.30	12,559.30	9,110.00	7,937.80	11,688.70	10,393.20	9,114.00
2000	7,969.50	7,301.80	6,884.80	9,073.80	9,377.20	7,797.50	10,842.90	7,720.30	7,616.10	10,027.60	11,394.60	10,326.90
2001	7,994.50	6,815.90	7,292.30	8,322.20	8,826.80	8,123.00	9,711.90	8,323.40	6,893.90	10,265.20	11,719.90	9,936.80
2002	7,675.90	6,386.50	6,886.00	7,822.80	7,968.50	8,654.90	9,928.60	7,413.40	7,027.80	8,800.80	9,349.40	10,196.80
2003	7,950.40	5,700.00	6,896.00	7,946.60	8,277.10	8,440.90	9,152.00	7,579.20	7,808.13	9,026.20	9,045.60	10,137.10
2004	8,167.20	4,593.10	6,874.40	7,062.10	7,290.10	8,466.70	8,692.90	7,266.20	7,748.87	10,439.60	8,215.60	9,585.60
2005	8,056.40	4,605.30	7,167.80	6,807.20	7,225.30	9,049.40	7,962.80	7,273.80	8,387.76	9,969.60	7,749.00	9,568.60
2006	8,047.00	4,522.00	7,102.20	6,823.50	7,799.80	8,344.10	7,451.80	6,863.80	6,692.36	9,286.00	8,094.20	11,007.10

The following charts show the breakdown between Violent Crime (Homicide, Rape, Robber, Aggravated Assault) and Property Crime (Burglary, Larceny, Larceny of Motor Vehicle, Arson). Asheville shows to have the lowest Violent Crime for the last ten years when compared against cities less than 100,000 in population. For Property Crime, Asheville and High Point show the lowest rates.

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Violent Crime	Charlotte-Mecklenburg	Raleigh	Greensboro	Durham	Winston-Salem	Fayetteville	Wilmington	High Point	Asheville	Gastonia	Greenville	Rocky Mount
Year	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate	Violent Rate
1997	1,703.70	904.4	1,007.80	1,382.30	1,249.70	792.7	1,195.80	1,302.50	823.5	1,557.30	1,014.10	1,051.50
1998	1,571.50	824.7	984.1	1,339.50	1,168.70	567.5	1,317.10	1,080.10	957	1,530.40	1,221.10	1,150.40
1999	1,460.40	782.9	913.2	1,298.00	1,309.20	552.5	1,233.50	1,098.00	825.6	1,628.60	942.2	1,002.50
2000	1,210.80	769.6	870	1,021.00	1,328.00	624.7	1,021.00	860.9	718.6	1,359.40	950.5	1,084.20
2001	1,249.20	801.1	853.9	1,019.70	973.4	766.3	1,004.10	898.2	691.7	1,466.50	978.4	1,133.60
2002	1,197.70	703.1	746	979.1	876.2	933.8	1,124.30	809.2	688.2	886.4	996.7	807.2
2003	1,106.10	679.4	697	864.2	842.3	951.8	917.9	889.2	647.13	1,066.70	1,025.30	890.3
2004	1,096.50	611.7	761.4	797.7	804.8	807	953.2	748.7	661.23	1,088.80	821.6	972.6
2005	1,171.80	646.2	853	744.2	861.2	893.7	860.1	681.5	653.12	973.7	816.6	884.4
2006	1,074.30	675.9	894.2	966.3	854.2	745.8	904	754.5	708.47	1,010.30	1,000.60	1,025.00

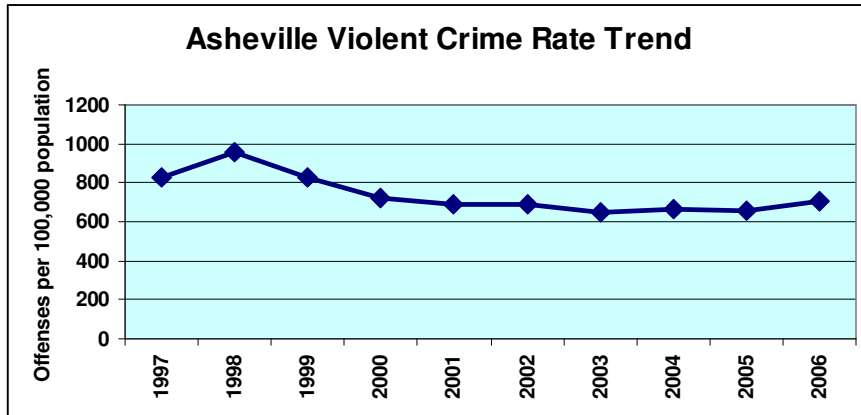
2006 UCR Population	701,103	328,900	230,929	202,521	193,633	172,301	94,796	92,515	72,127	68,809	63,959	56,291
Property Crime	Charlotte-Mecklenburg	Raleigh	Greensboro	Durham	Winston-Salem	Fayetteville	Wilmington	High Point	Asheville	Gastonia	Greenville	Rocky Mount
Year	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate	Property Rate
1997	8,130.80	6,813.50	7,424.40	10,557.60	9,496.00	8,121.00	10,239.20	9,155.60	6,742.50	9,638.00	9,467.60	8,885.90
1998	7,989.70	6,184.60	7,924.90	10,510.10	8,477.10	6,887.10	9,696.80	8,516.80	6,492.30	10,531.50	11,406.40	8,983.20
1999	8,129.70	6,427.20	6,875.80	10,119.40	8,772.90	6,101.80	11,325.80	8,011.90	7,112.20	10,060.10	9,450.90	8,111.50
2000	6,758.70	6,532.20	6,014.80	8,052.70	8,049.20	7,172.80	9,822.00	6,859.40	6,897.50	8,668.20	10,444.10	9,242.70
2001	6,745.30	6,014.80	6,438.40	7,302.60	7,853.40	7,356.70	8,707.90	7,425.20	6,202.20	8,798.70	10,741.40	8,803.20
2002	6,478.20	5,683.40	6,139.90	6,843.60	7,092.30	7,721.10	8,804.20	6,604.20	6,339.60	7,914.40	8,352.70	9,389.60
2003	6,844.30	5,020.60	6,199.00	7,082.40	7,434.80	7,489.20	8,234.10	6,690.00	7,161.00	7,959.40	8,020.20	9,246.80
2004	7,070.70	3,981.40	6,113.00	6,264.40	6,485.30	7,659.70	7,739.70	6,517.50	7,087.64	9,350.80	7,394.00	8,613.00
2005	6,884.60	3,959.00	6,314.80	6,063.00	6,364.10	8,155.70	7,102.70	6,592.30	7,734.64	8,995.90	6,932.30	8,684.20
2006	6,972.70	3,846.20	6,208.00	5,857.20	6,945.60	7,598.30	6,547.70	6,109.30	5,983.89	8,275.70	7,093.60	9,982.10

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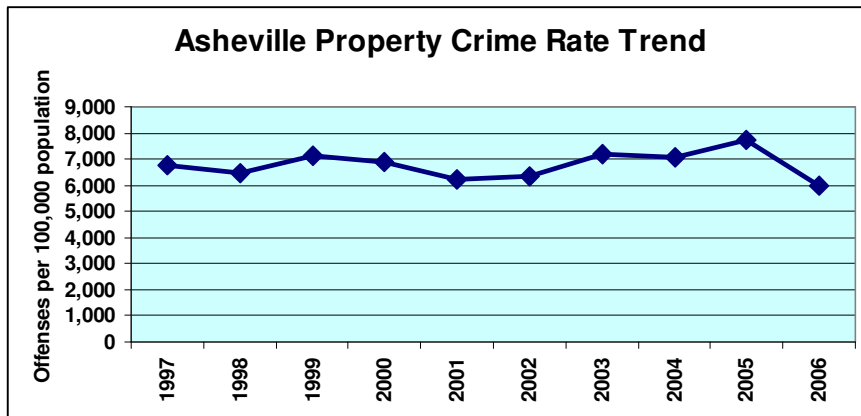
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## Trend Assessment - Asheville

Violent crime shows a slight decreasing trend if assessed over the last ten years as a whole. However, rates from 2000 onward have remained stable. A separate assessment will look more closely at the recent three years through June 2007.



Property crime over the last ten years as a whole has remained stable. There is an appreciable drop from 2005 to 2006. A separate assessment will look more closely at the recent three years through June 2007.



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## Trend Assessment - National

Violent crime on a national level shows a similar trend as compared to Asheville, with a decrease from 1997 to 2000, and then leveling out. Although 2006 is not yet on the BJS website, reports have indicated recent increases in homicides (need reference on this xxxxxxxx). Property crime shows an overall decreasing trend but activity from 2000 to 2005 has stabilized.

